

Interview Summary

Application No.

09/176,634

Applicant(s)

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Examiner

Paul A Shanoski

Art Unit

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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) James Badie.

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(2) Paul Shanoski.

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Date of Interview: 17 March 2000.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.
If Yes, brief description:

Claim(s) discussed: 1-16.

Identification of prior art discussed: None.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☒ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: *Applicant telephoned re. the requirement of the election of species. Claims 1-6, 8-13, and 15-16 were elected with traverse, which correspond to Fig. 20-28 and 3-37. Examiner informed Applicant that if claim 3 was elected, letter stating that the tri-sectioned absorbent of claim 3 did not patentably distinguish claim 3 from claim 1. Applicant agreed to this requirement.*

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

i) ☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview (if box is checked).

Unless the paragraph above has been checked, THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet.

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Examiner's signature, if required